

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following paragraph on page 1 after the title and before line 4:

-- **CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a national stage application of International Application No. PCT/IN03/00148, filed April 7, 2003, which claims priority to Indian Application No. 612/Del/2002, filed on June 5, 2002. --

Please replace the paragraph on page 3, beginning at line 15, with the following replacement paragraph:

-- Another object of the invention is to provide an electrochemically reacting composition and a process for preparation thereof, which utilizes aluminum, in addition to magnesium as a constituent, thereby making the composition less ~~costlier~~costly. --